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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HITOSHI TSUBOI, ET AL.) Examiner: Lam S. Nguyen
Application No.: 09/986,804) Group Art Unit: 2853
Filed: November 13, 2001)
For: INK JET PRINTING APPARATUS)
AND PRELIMINARY EJECTING)
METHOD) February 6, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 6, 2003, please amend the
above-identified application as set forth herein.

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